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EVERY MONDAY 40p

Buster

with WHIZZER and CHIPS

*Inside your
All-Colour
Comic...*

**MEGA
CHRISTMAS
FUN**

with CHALKY ...

X-RAY SPECS ...

LUCY LASTIC ...

SID'S SNAKE ...

TOM THUG ...

JOKER and more

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CHRISTMAS WITH TOM THUG

CHRISTMAS EVE ...

I'M GONNA WAIT UP FOR SANTA CLAUS AN' NICK ALL THE PRESSIES FROM 'IS SACK! HUR, HUR!

OH, NO YOU'RE NOT, YOUNG MAN! INTO BED THIS INSTANT!

BAH!

HUR, HUR! I'M NOT ASLEEP!

HEH-HEH! I'LL NAB SANTA WHEN HE LANDS ON THE ROOF TO COME DOWN OUR CHIMNEY!

WUTTER?

DUHHH... I FORGOT WE'D 'AD OUR CHIMNEY CAPPED! SANTA CAN'T COME IN THAT WAY!

OOER!!

SLIP!

GNMF!! A SOFT LANDING!

OOOF! TOM THUG, I PRESUME?

YOU'VE BEEN A VERY NAUGHTY BOY THIS YEAR, BUT I MIGHT FORGIVE YOU IF YOU HELP ME DELIVER THESE PRESENTS!

ULP! OKAY, SANTA!

HOURS LATER ...

DUHHH... I'VE BEEN DELIVERIN' PRESSIES ALL NIGHT, BUT I FORGOT I SAVE SOME FER MESELF! SOB!

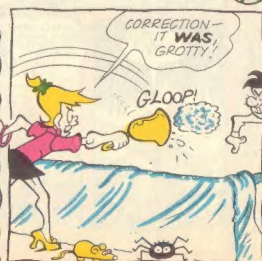
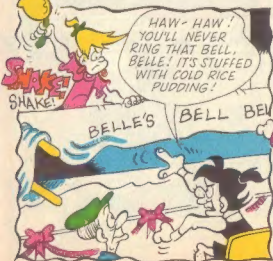
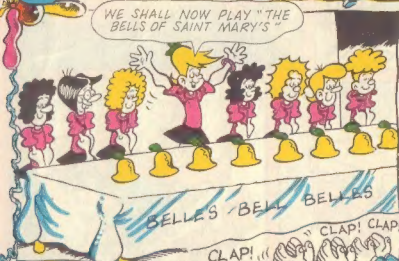
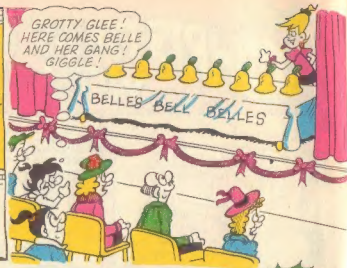
Tom's ROOM

EH? WHAT'S THIS?

BRILLIANT! SANTA STILL MANAGED TO DELIVER ME PRESSIES WIVOUT ME KNOWIN'! MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY!

YAWN! MERRY CHRISTMAS, SON!

Seezun'z Greetingz 2 AWL MI FANZ! ~ FROM TOM



MELVYN'S MIRROR

CHRISTMAS MORNING...

WOW! LOTS OF ACE PRESENTS!

MIND YOU, NOT EVERYTHING IS WHAT I'D HAVE CHOSEN MYSELF! LOOK AT THESE!

MAYBE I CAN SWAP THEM FOR SOMETHING DECENT IN MIRRORLAND!

BUT... EVERYBODY HAS GOT JUST THE PRESENTS THEY WANTED!

I WISH I KNEW HOW THAT HAPPENED!

WE GET OUR OWN PRESENTS! THAT WAY WE KNOW THEY'LL BE RIGHT!

COO!! NEAT IDEA!

SO WHAT IS YOUR PRESENT FROM ME?

CHRISTMAS GOODIES

LET'S SEC...

I FANCY THIS TELL!

AND HERE'S THE BILL!

EN?

BUT I CAN'T! I MEAN, I HAVEN'T GOT...

I'M AFRAID IT HAS TO BE SETTLED!

AND HERE'S THE MONEY!

THEY GIVE ME THE MONEY?!?! MIRRORLAND IS DIFFERENT!

MERRY CHRISTMAS, REFLECTION!

AND THANKS FOR MY PRESENT!

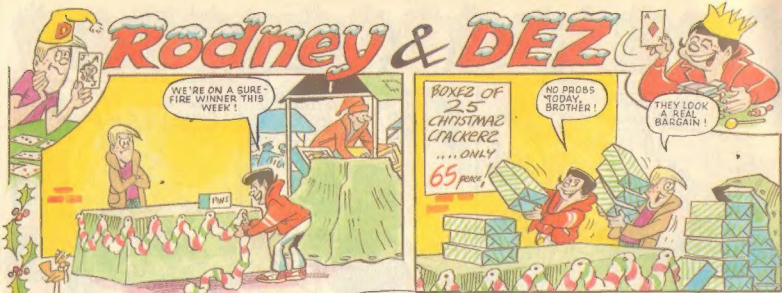
BACK HOME...

I HOPE YOU WEREN'T TOO DISAPPOINTED WITH THE TIES THAT AUNTIE IVY SENT!

EVERYTHING'S PERFECT! JUST PERFECT! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

TERRY DAVE

Rodney & DEZ



ARE YOU A COOL DUDE...

...OR A

DUMBBO?

Answer the following questions and then check your score on the special 'Buster Dumbometer'. Award yourself one point for each correct answer.

1. WHAT WOULD YOU FIND INSIDE A MINCE PIE?
A. Mince.

3. YOUR BEST MATE FORGETS TO BUY YOU A CHRISTMAS PRESSIE. DO YOU ...
A. Feel hurt.

- B. Forgive him 'cos Christmas is all about peace and goodwill.
C. Wait till after Christmas and then invite him to a snack at the Knuckle Butty Bar.

2. WHAT IS SANTA CLAUS'S WAIST MEASUREMENT?
A. Extra large.

- B. Porky.
C. Lardbarrel.
D. "Shift, Tubby, you're blocking the sun!"

4. WHERE DID THE TRADITION OF KISSING UNDER THE MISTLETOE COME FROM?
A. Elizabethan England.

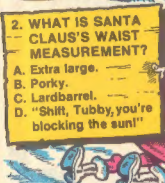
- B. Timbuctoo.
C. Mars.

5. YOUR DAD'S SHOWING OFF AS HE SLICES THE TURKEY. SUDDENLY HE CUTS HIS FINGER OFF. DO YOU ...
A. Faint.

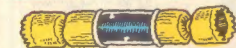
- B. Scream.
C. Dial 999.

6. WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTIONS BEST DESCRIBES SANTA CLAUS?
A. He's a nice guy who brings joy to millions of girls and boys all over the world.

- B. Underneath that beard and silly red suit, he looks just like your dad!
C. He's cruel, mean, and totally despicable!



TURN THE PAGE TO CHECK YOUR SCORE!!



1. A. It's Christmas, so we're going to be generous and give you a point. (Unless you question this was a trick question, in which case tough luck!)
2. None. This is a trick question! Santa must be a slim dude, otherwise how is he going to fit down your chimney, Dumbbo?
3. None again! This is another sneaky trick question. Someone you hardly know might forget to buy you a Christmas pressie, but your best mate wouldn't!
4. Don't ask us! Kissing under the mistletoe is a pretty soppy tradition anyway!
5. None. Someone un-cool might faint, scream, or dial 999 - but not a "Buster" reader. A cool "Buster" reader would just carry on eating as though nothing had happened, and get the bonus of an extra sausage!
6. C. Santa Claus is cruel and despicable 'cos on Christmas Eve he sleighs his reindeer! And you thought all the groffy jokes came from Christmas crackers!

- 0-1. Dumb as a Christmas tree!
1-2. Dumb as a Christmas tree!
2-3. Your name's Scrooge.
3-4. Not bad. Send your name and address to us and we'll give you a brand new mountain bike as a special consolation prize (if you believe that, then it's no wonder you got a score like this!).
5. Santa Cool! What more can we say?

Answers

TURN THE PAGE TO CHECK YOUR SCORE!!

JOKER

IT'S A WHOOPEE CUSHION...

A SQUEAKY BUN

MY RELATIONS ALL ENJOY MY JOKES AT CHRISTMAS.

SQUEAK!

ALL EXCEPT ME YOUR UNCLE CHARLIE! YOU WON'T PLAY TRICKS ON ME!

STOMP!

I'LL DOUBLE-CHECK EVERYTHING, LAD!

RIGHT! LET'S PLAY "PIN-THE-TAIL-ON-THE-DONKEY!" PUT ON THIS BLIND FOLD!

NOT LIKELY... I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SEE YOU PLAYING SOPPY JOKES!

WELL, IF YOU LOCK ME IN THE KITCHEN SO I CAN'T TRY ANY JOKES, WILL YOU PLAY?

YES... THERE I'M SAFE!

NOW I'LL PIN THE TAIL ON THE DONKEY FIRST GO!

EEESH! DOOSH!

STAB!

DRIP DRIP

IF YOU PINCTURED A BALLOON FULL OF WATER! DIDN'T YOU KNOW WE HAD A SERVING HATCH FROM THE KITCHEN?

THERE'S STILL TIME TO BUY BUSTER BOOK 1991! HAVE YOU GOT YOURS?

X-RAY SPECS

THE CHOC SHOP

THEN...

THERE'S LOUISE. MAYBE SHE'S THE GIRL FOR ME!?



I'VE BEEN SAVING UP FOR AGES SO I CAN BUY CHRISTMAS PRESSIES TO IMPRESS THE GIRLS I FANCY!

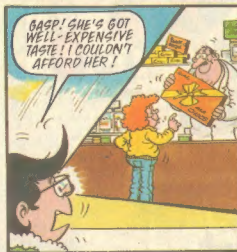
DOWN AT THE SHOPS...

THE BOOK SHOP

ERK! THERE'S JULIE IN THE BOOK SHOP!



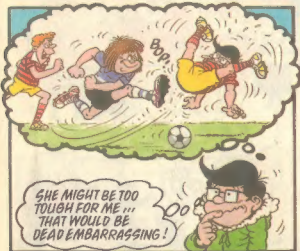
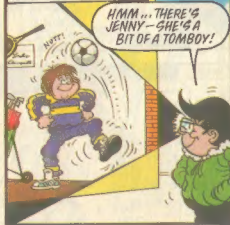
DON'T FANCY HER FOR A GIRLFRIEND IF SHE'S SOME KIND OF SWOT!



GASP! SHE'S GOT WELL-EXPENSIVE TASTE! I COULDN'T AFFORD HER!

AT THE SPORTS SHOP...

HMM... THERE'S JENNY - SHE'S A BIT OF A TOMBOY!



SHE MIGHT BE TOO TOUGH FOR ME... THAT WOULD BE DEAD EMBARRASSING!

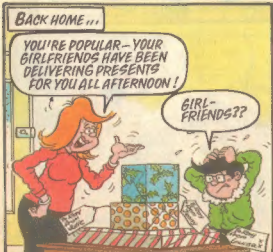


AAAH! WHO WANTS A GIRLFRIEND ANYWAY? I CAN SPEND MY MONEY ON A MUCH MORE IMPORTANT PERSON... ME!



AND SOON...

NEW TRAINERS... ANNUALS... NEW VIDEO GAME... MEGA, MEGA!



BACK HOME...

YOU'RE POPULAR - YOUR GIRLFRIENDS HAVE BEEN DELIVERING PRESENTS FOR YOU ALL AFTERNOON!

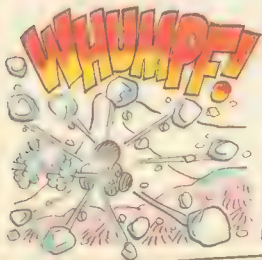
GIRL-FRIENDS??

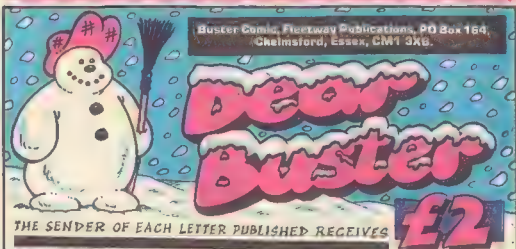
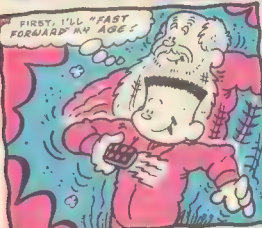
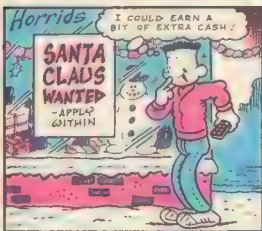


AAAGH! I GOT IT ALL WRONG! THEY WERE BUYING PRESSIES FOR ME!



ANYONE WANT A TROUBLESOME PAIR OF X-RAY SPECS FOR CHRISTMAS?!





Dear Buster,

I recently got some cardboard and paints and made a theatre. I painted a street for the background but I didn't know what to use for people. So I got out my pile of BUSTER comics and cut out some pictures - so you are now the star of my "BUSTER THEATRE"!

- JOANNE MCGINLEY, CLYDEBANK.

...Me, in the theatre? Coo! I'll be on the telly, next!



Buster's Birthday List

17 DEC - RACHEL DONKERSLEY (AS 12), LINDLEY.

17 DEC - ANN SINGER (12), QUICKFORD.

18 DEC - KEITH RICHARDS.

19 DEC - FIONA MARGARET TUEEDIE, (AS 11), GLASGOW.

19 DEC - SMO LITTLE

21 DEC DANNY WALKER (9) HALLOWEEN

IF YOU'D LIKE YOUR BIRTHDAY TO APPEAR ON BUSTER'S LIST, SEND YOUR NAME, AGE AND ADDRESS, PLUS YOUR DATE OF BIRTH, TO: "BUSTER'S BIRTHDAY LIST", AT THE BUSTER ADDRESS.



Dear Buster,

I have written to you every Wednesday since I was 10½ and now I'm 12 and I still haven't had any of my letters printed in BUSTER. Please print this letter and say "Hi" to my best friend, Joanne Hazeldine.

- ANNA BROCK, CODICOTE.

...Must be your lucky day, Anna - or should that be lucky CHRISTMAS day ??!



VIC'S VID FREEBIES

Christmas Carol

Dear Buster,

My name is James and I am 9 years old. This is the first time mum has bought me your comic and it's so cool, I will be getting it delivered to me at boarding school every week.

- JAMES D. ATWELL, ELSHAMHAM
...Let's hope your pals follow your good example!

DUH - BUSTER'S SO COOL - I KEEP IT IN THE FRIDGE!



CHRISTMAS CRACKERS?



YOU'D BE CRACKERS TO MISS THE
BUSTER BOOK 1991!
ON SALE NOW
...IT'S A CRACKING GOOD READ!

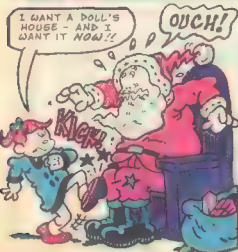


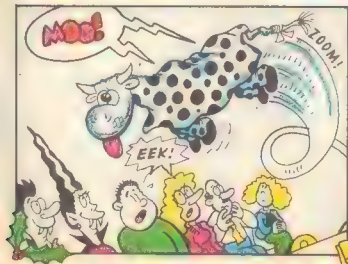
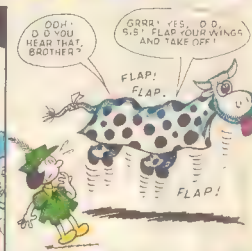
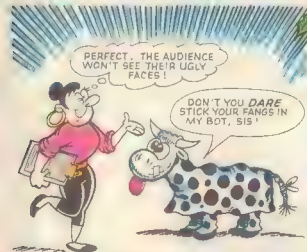
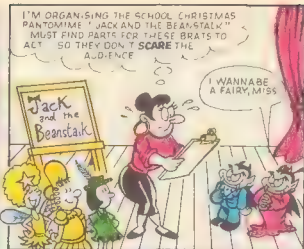
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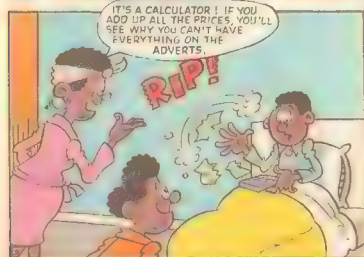
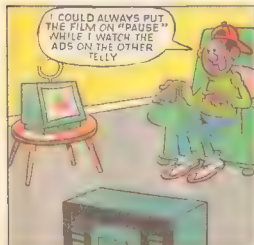
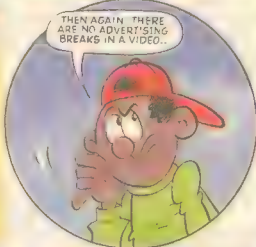
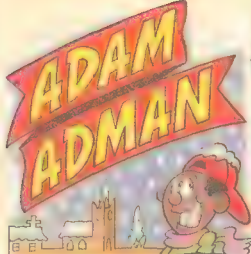
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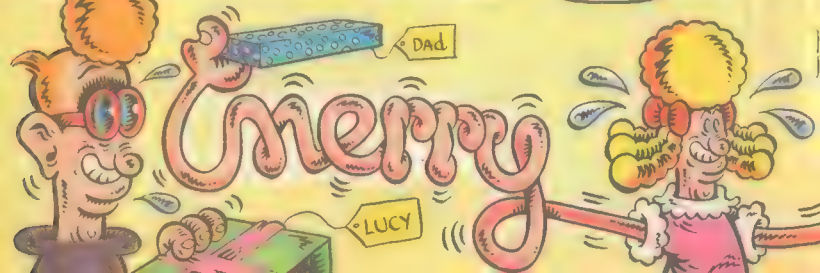
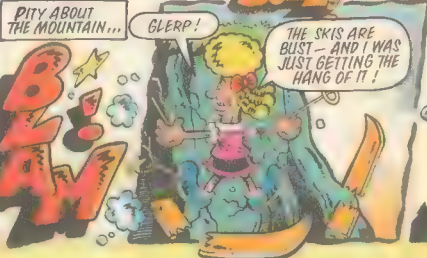
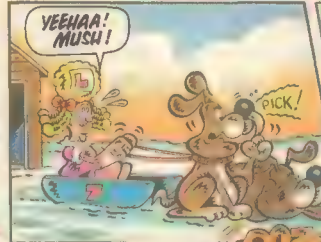
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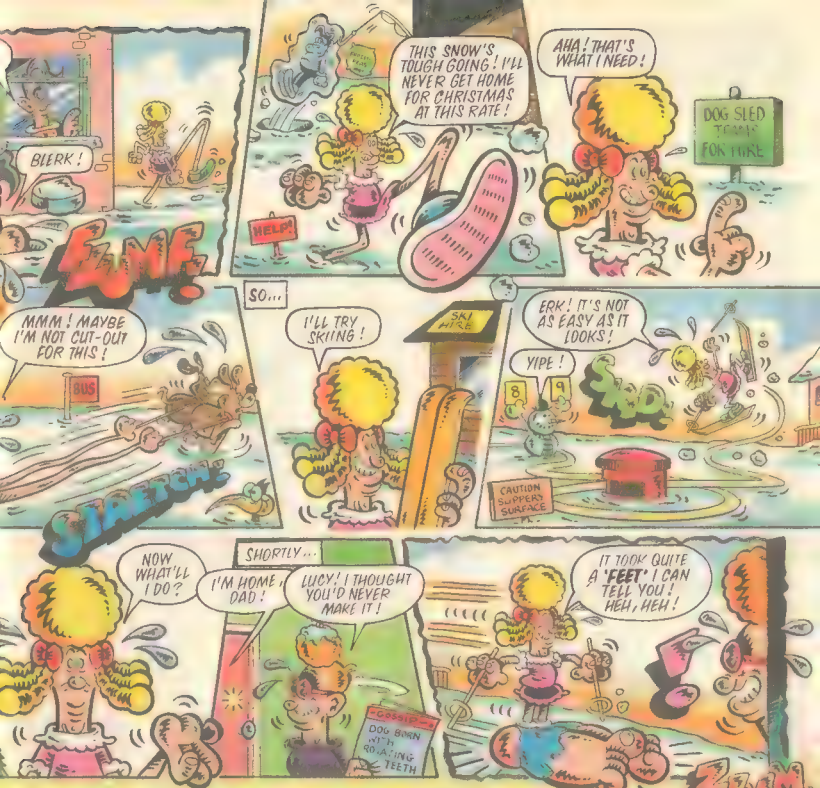




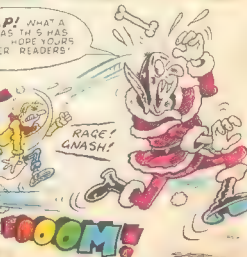
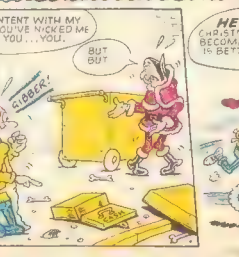
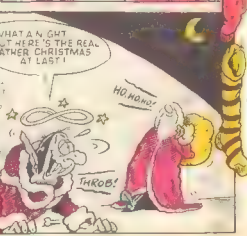
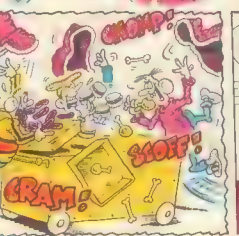
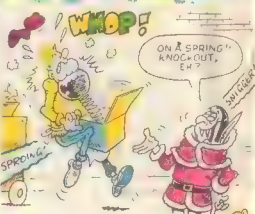
MERRY CHRISTMAS, PALS





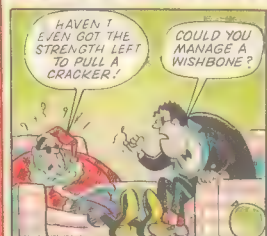
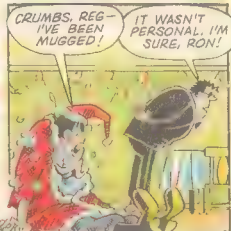
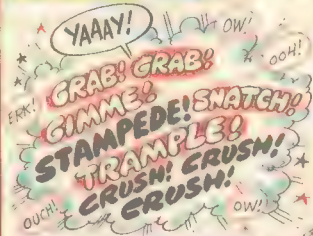
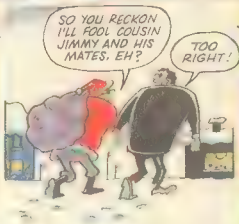


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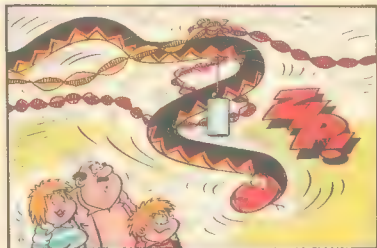
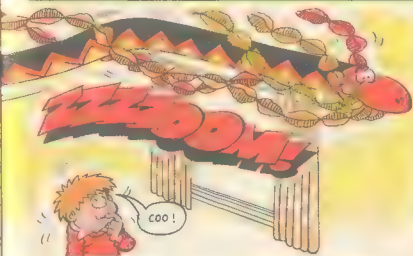
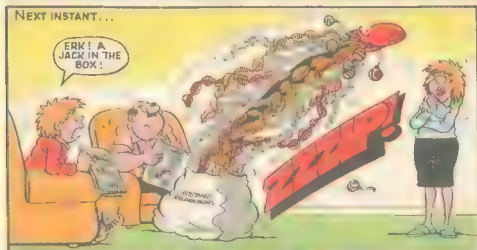
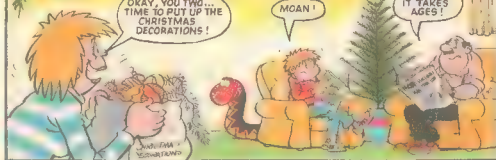


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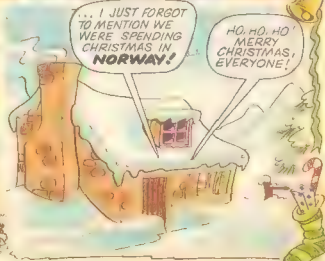
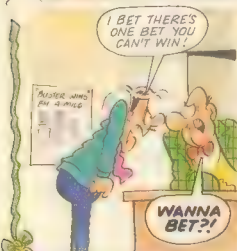
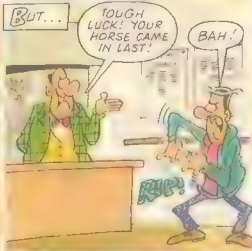




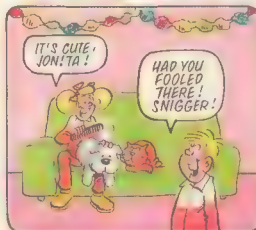
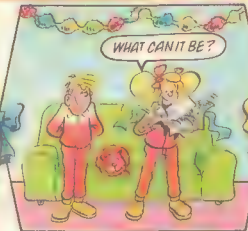
Sid's Snake



THE WINNERS



DOUBLE TROUBLE



SWEENEY TODDLER

SWEENEY'S MUM AND DAD HAD INVITED THEIR NEIGHBOURS IN FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER...

NICE OF THEM TO SUPPLY THE TURKEY, WASN'T IT, DAD!

I'D BETTER POP NEXT DOOR AND COLLECT IT, DEAR!

HUFF!

GET INTO THE KITCHEN, BIRD-BRAIN! OOF!

SLUMP!

I JUST HOPE I'VE MADE ENOUGH STUFFING! WHERE'S THE TURKEY?

WELL, IT'S, ER, JUST COMING

POLLY FILLA STUFFING

LIKE ME NEW PET, MUM! HE'S CALLED 'GAZZA'!

CRASH!

LATER

OH, I HOPE WE'RE NOT LATE!

I DO LOVE A NICE CHRISTMAS DINNER!

SWEENEY

I HOPE YOU'VE GOT A GOOD MEMORY THEN, MATE!

I CAN'T WAIT! TURKEY... ROAST POTATOES... CHESTNUT STUFFING...

BOILED EGGS BUT...

I'M SORRY, BUT WE COULDN'T EAT POOR GAZZA!

GAZZA WHO THE

BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OVEN-READY TURKEY I GAVE TO SWEENEY?

NOD!

FLAP!

FLAP!

FLAP! FLAP!

ZIT! EXPLODING WITH FURY

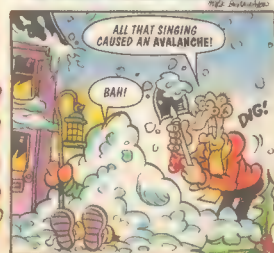
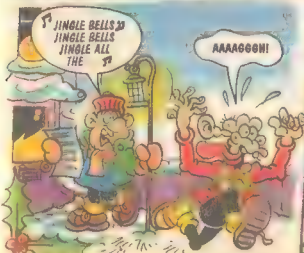
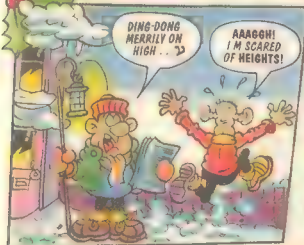
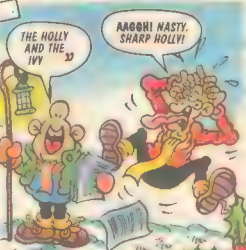
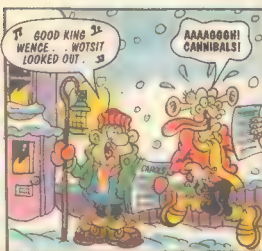
WAST!

WE SWAPPED THAT TINY OLD TURKEY FOR GAZZA! THE MAN ACROSS THE ROAD SAID IT WOULD BE A PROPER 'CHRISTMAS SURPRISE'!

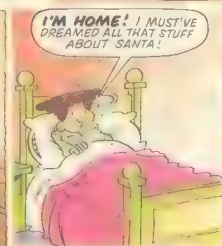
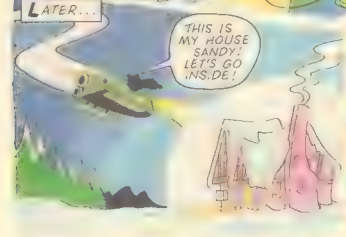
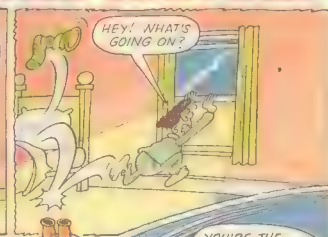
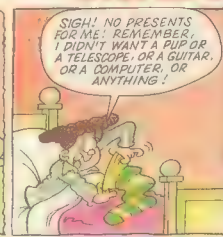
SWEENEY!

SHUFFLE!

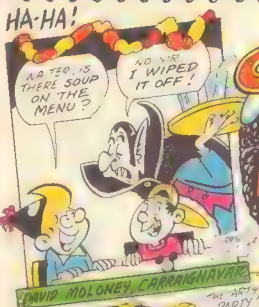
HE'S RIGHT THERE!



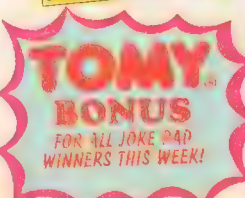
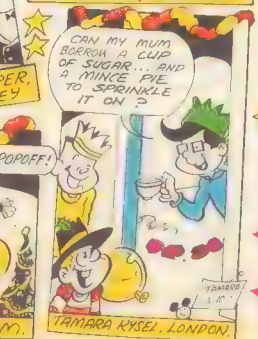
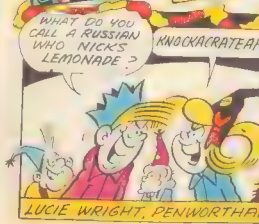
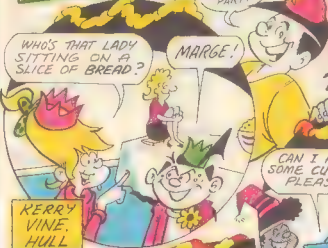
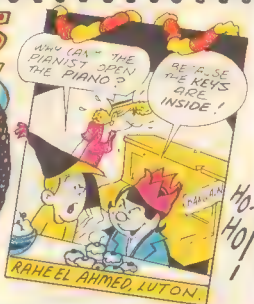
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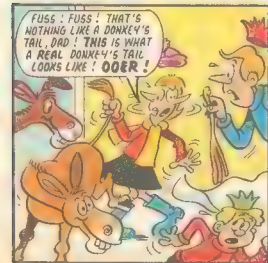
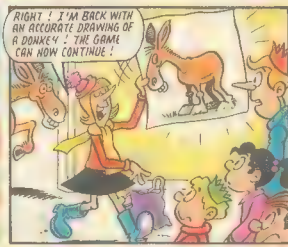
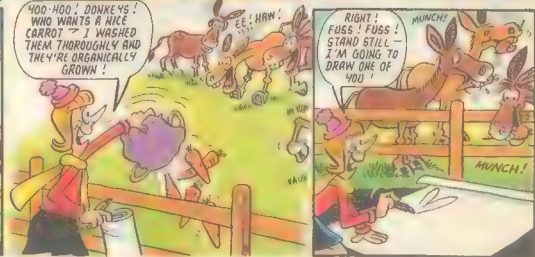
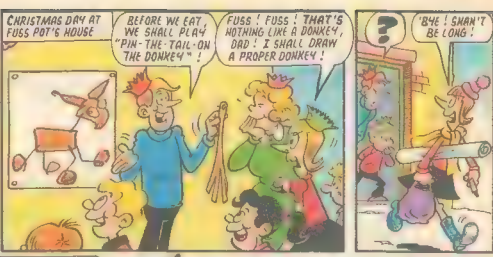


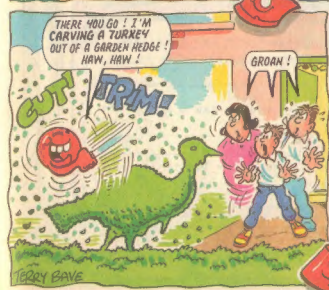
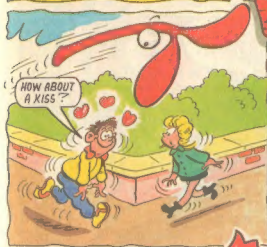
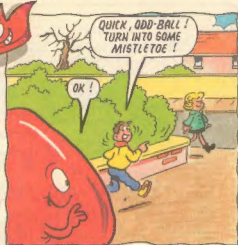
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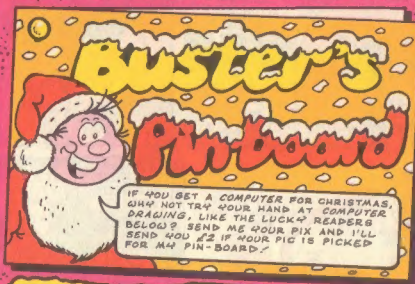


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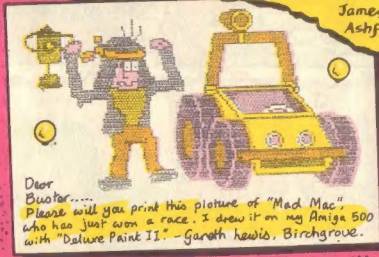



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